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FOR: DATA TRANSFER CONTROL

DEVICE, RELAY DEVICE AND CONTROL DEVICE SUITABLE

FOR HOME NETWORK

ENVIRONMENT

AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed December 12, 2000, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

The following is a clean copy of Claims 1-2, 4-8, 40-41, 43-47 and 91-92, with marked-up versions attached.

1. (Twice Amended) A data transfer control device for controlling transfer of Information data to a receiving node connected with a first physical network from a transmitting node connected with a second physical network, the data transfer control device being connected with the second physical network and comprising: